

another banking institution whose banking assets recently were upwards of ten and three-quarters millions of pounds sterling.

The trade of the adjoining province, Kwangtung (Canton), has not shown any increase in the first nine months of 1892 as compared with the corresponding period of 1891; on the contrary, the Chinese Customs Revenue shows a decrease of almost ten per cent., or over £215,000. The published returns of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs give—

Revenue for the first nine months
of 1891.....£2,444,994.74
Revenue for the first nine months
of 1892.....£2,389,006.57

The decrease for the first three-quarters of 1892, as compared with the same period of 1891, at Canton, being over 5 per cent., at Lappa (Macao) over 15 per cent., and at Chinese Kowloon over 20 per cent. The Chinese Customs Revenue may safely be regarded as an index to the variations in trade, and even the decreased volume thereof, for the reasons before mentioned, has in many instances resulted unfavorably. Trade cannot improve while the gold value of silver continues shrouded in boundless uncertainty and violent fluctuations in exchange are taking place.

Returns may show some increase in the tonnage of shipping frequenting the harbour, but it is notorious in the Colony that a number of the steamers calling here have not been paying their running expenses, while nearly all have suffered pecuniarily in sympathy with the exceedingly unsatisfactory state of shipping all over the world. Shipping is undoubtedly of the very first importance to the Colony, but the alleged increase of tonnage can in no measure be reasonably construed as abating any increase of prosperity in trade here. Such deduction is more or less fallacious. According to the Estimates the revenue from Light Dues is on the decrease. The figures are:—

In 1891.....£95,656.69
Revised Estimate for 1892.....£74,424.31
Estimate for 1893.....£70,000.00

The destination of nearly all the rice and other imports from the northern ports is Canton. The steamers carrying these merely pass through our waters, but the inclusion of their tonnage in our Harbour Statistics has led and leads to erroneous deductions. A large number of the ocean steamers to and from Europe, America, &c., in like manner swell the official tonnage returns, but in reality may add little to our revenue, and many of them contribute nothing to the trade profits, the steamers having—in many instances—to call, even with little or nothing to land or to take from the Colony. They have to call for the sole purpose of transhipment of cargo and branch line requirements.

The Colony's Revenue from opium has not increased nor even been maintained. The rent from the Opium Farm has fallen from £3,790,000 in 1891, and £3,900,000 estimated for 1892, to £3,340,000 per annum for the next three years. The revenue from this source is of a most uncertain and precarious nature. The Revenue obtained from subsidiary charges shows a large decrease. In 1891 it was £90,178.71, in 1892 £73,347.09, the revised Estimate for 1893 is £74,500.00, and the Estimate for 1894 is £70,000.00.

The Revenue of the Colony is not as productive and as elastic as when these augmentations in salaries were recommended. There was then a large surplus Revenue over Ordinary Expenditure. The surpluses were:—

In 1889.....£150,107.57
In 1890.....£41,618.27
In 1891.....£29,291.25
Estimated surplus in 1892.....£15,316.00
Estimated possible surplus in 1893.....6,785.00

Ordinary Expenditure, in spite of all the efforts of the Unofficial Members, continues to increase annually, and we think, out of proportion to the real needs of the Colony. The figures are as follows:—

In 1889.....£1,459,167.16
In 1890.....£1,690,221.00
In 1891.....£1,690,221.00
The latest estimate for 1892 is £1,884,000.00
While the estimate for 1893 is £1,899,511.00
House rents are lower now than they were in 1889-1890. The fall has been great, though the effect of this on the Revenue has not yet been felt. The annual valuations have hardly yet been altered. It was solely on the ground of the great increase in house rents in the Colony that Lord Knutsford sanctioned the increased salaries. (See his Lordship's Despatch of 3rd April, 1891, more particularly para. 12.)

The Governor recognises plainly in his statement to the Council in the opening of the present Session the need of retrenchment in every direction, and said:—

"In the public service vested interests cannot be disregarded, and all retrenchments consequently must be more or less of a prospective nature. I have publicly stated that when opportunities arise I will take advantage of them, but time is required to effect all such reforms. The Civil Service is to a certain extent over-official, and the salaries of the clerical service are capable of reduction as vacancies occur."

In his despatches to your Lordship he tells us that he has recommended reductions of salaries, amalgamation of offices, abolition of appointments as opportunities offer, and has had to ask your sanction for a loan. He evidently agrees with us that the present rates of salary are high, for he has recommended and carried a very considerable reduction in the salary of the Registrar of the Supreme Court, and he proposes to do the same with all offices as opportunities occur.

The Governor confesses that there is need of retrenchment and reform, that some of the salaries are too high and ought to be reduced, and that the official staff is too numerous. We are also decidedly of His Excellency's opinion and consider that the circumstances which appear to justify the 1891 increase no longer exist, that an economy of £45,000 or £50,000 or more may be easily effected without delay and without hardship, and that as increases were granted and paid upon the express condition that they were open to early reconsideration there is no vested interest to be affected by their revision, and that there is nothing unjust or inequitable in our moving accordingly.

In His Excellency the Governor's address herein before referred to he admits that the state of affairs now, so far as finance is concerned, cannot be considered entirely satisfactory. We quite share in this view, and as to the future we keenly feel the imperative necessity for economy and retrenchment.

The Unofficial Members beg leave to point out to your Lordship that their position in the Council, and their treatment on many financial questions by the Government and by the Official Members of Council is such that they are compelled to take this step for the protection of the interests of the Colony, and in vindication of their own rights and powers as guardians of the public purse. If any case of expenditure is proposed locally and it happens to meet with the approval of the Unofficial Members of Council, they are consulted and their opinions are cited to your Lordship as justifying the expenditure. It is they who have voted for it. If they disapprove they are too often ignored and given to understand that their votes and opinions are valueless and that their presence in Council might well be dispensed with, and that it is for the Executive Government and for your Lordship to determine what is necessary.

(Signed) C. P. CHATER,
HO KAI,
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
E. R. BELLIOS.

(1) COLONIAL SECRETARY TO SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBER.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, January 19th 1893.

SIR—I am directed to inform you that the memorial enclosed in your letter of 16th inst. (received on 16th inst.) has been forwarded to the Secretary of State by this day's mail.

I am also to inform you that the Governor telegraphed on the 17th inst. to the Secretary of State to the effect that the memorial members desired that the Appropriation Ordinance for 1893 might not be given effect to pending the receipt of their memorial.

There is apparently a clerical error in the dates of the newspapers stated in the last paragraph but two of the memorial to have been posted to the address of the Secretary of State, and I am to enquire what newspapers were so posted. No copies were received with the memorial.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Sd.) G. T. M. O'BRIEN,
Colonial Secretary.

The Honorable P. C. CHATER, etc.

III.—S. U. M. TO COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Hongkong January 20th, 1893.

SIR—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 88 of 18th inst. informing me that the memorial enclosed in my communication of 14th inst. has been forwarded to the Secretary of State by yesterday's mail, and intimating that His Excellency the Governor telegraphed on the 17th inst. to the Secretary of State to the effect that the memorial members desired that the Appropriation Ordinance for 1893 might not be given effect to pending the receipt of their memorial.

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I beg you please to kindly convey to His Excellency the thanks of the unofficial members of his having done so.

No acknowledgment of my letter having been received, the newspapers referred to in the last paragraph but two of the memorial were not posted to the address of the Secretary of State by yesterday's mail. The newspapers in question are the *Hongkong Daily Press* mail supplements of 8th and 22nd ultimo, which contain the report of the meetings of the Legislative Council held on 20th November and 14th December ultimo respectively, and these we will forward by next mail to Europe.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Sd.) C. P. CHATER,
The Honorable G. T. M. O'Brien, C. M. G.,
Colonial Secretary.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The Pacific Mail Co.'s steamship *Fern*, Capt. W. Ward, which left San Francisco with the American mails of Dec. 25th, arrived in harbour this morning. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our San Francisco exchanges:—

LONDON, December 16th.

A Paris correspondent says a member of the committee who witnessed the removal of Reichensperger's corpse from the prison was seized to kill a whole regiment. The *Standard's* Vienna correspondent says two more women were arrested near Lemberg last night for baby farming. Infants' bodies were found in the gardens and courtyards behind the houses of the midwives.

PARIS, December 16th.

Eugene Crampon was guillotined this morning for the murder of two men who were pursuing him as he was running away from a wine-shop which he had just plundered. The execution was one of the most horrible witnessed in Paris in many years.

The culprit, as soon as his eyes caught sight of the guillotine as the procession emerged from the prison, fell to the ground in a faint, and grovelled on the flagstones, begging piteously for a respite. He became so limp that the executioner's assistants had to take him up and carry him to the place of execution. He continued to struggle and shriek while they bound him to the plank and placed his head beneath the knife, and only ceased when the head rolled into a basket.

It was a rare treat to the rabid crowd who saw it. It was made up of criminal elements of Paris, men and women, and at the end they dispersed bandying coarse jests.

NEW YORK, December 16th.

The *Herald* correspondent at Valparaiso cables: News reaches here from Rio Janeiro that the Federalists are entering the city of Rio Grande and that Governor Castilho of Rio Grande do Sul is fleeing to the south. He will resist.

The *Herald* correspondent at Montevideo telegraphs that the Carlistas have signed a petition asking the Federal Government of Brazil to declare war against Uruguay.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 16th.

Another terrible railway tragedy is reported from Rostov. When the passenger train reached that point to-day two merchants, who were travelling in a compartment of a first-class carriage, were found murdered, their heads having been battered in. A large sum of money they were known to have had was gone. The conductor of the train has been arrested on suspicion.

BERLIN, December 16th.

Last evening there was published a brief account of how the Paris *Figaro's* publication of the Lowe letter to General Boulanger was received here. Baron von Hatzfeld, chief of the Military Cabinet, was at once telegraphed for early in the morning. He proceeded to Litzlin, in Prussian Saxony, where the Kaiser is hunting. He was instructed to make out a full detailed report on the matter. An official inquiry is already in progress.

The effect of the revelation in official circles, as long as the moment when the Kaiser's pains are being taken to keep further allusion to the Lowe guns from being made, is the hardest kind of a blow to the Government. The official papers are silent on the subject, but the *Germania*, the organ of the Centre party, the *Nachrichten*, the *Vossische Zeitung*, and the *Kreuz Zeitung*, all Conservative journals, accuse Herr Lowe, in terms more or less emphatic, of bad faith.

The *Hamburger Nachrichten* publishes a paragraph, evidently falsified by the Kaiser, relating an incident of 1890. According to this, Count Eulenburg, then Minister of the Interior of Prussia, was sent by Bismarck to the King at Ems to say that Bismarck would resign unless the King returned to Berlin and summoned a meeting of the Reichstag.

The committee of twenty-six members of the Reichstag to which the army bill has been referred consists of one Social Democrat, six Freisinn members, eight Catholics, two Poles, three National Liberals, one Free Conservative, and five Right Conservatives. It is believed that it will be impossible for the bill to obtain a majority in the committee, and opponents of the measure confidently expect its defeat.

The disclosures in regard to Lowe's offers to manufacture rifles for France have greatly weakened Caprivi in the estimation of the Reichstag, and lessened in proportion the prospects for the passage of the army bill.

MADRID, December 16th.

Mothership pirates carrying the Spanish schooner *Loed*, carried the crew to the mountains and refused to surrender them till paid \$25,000 ransom. It is probable that the Government will pay the money.

VIENNA, December 16th.

It is officially denied that a marriage has taken place between Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria and Princess Helen Louise Henriette, daughter of the Count of Paris and cousin of Prince Ferdinand.

It is expected the scandalous developments regarding the Panama canal enterprise will lead to a rapprochement between Russia and Germany, owing to the fact that the fall of Rouvier, the French Minister of Finance, will prevent Russia from obtaining loans in France.

RIO JANEIRO, December 16th.

A military revolt broke out at Niteroi to-day, the object being to raise to the Presidency ex-Governor Froiela, leader of the Antonomist party. Federal troops were at once dispatched to the scene and the revolt was soon suppressed. Two persons were killed and many were arrested. It is supposed that several influential persons were implicated in the plot and that they will be arrested.

HAMBURG, December 16th.

Two deaths from cholera have been reported so far, in December, one on the 8th and the other on the 14th. The first is claimed to have been imported from outside the city. There are no new cases to-day of authentic cholera.

QUEBEC, December 16th.

All the members of the late De Boucherville Cabinet were sworn into their old places in the new Cabinet. The only change is in the Premiership, which now devolves on L. O. Tardion in place of Boucherville.

LONDON, December 17th.

J. W. Hobbs, late managing director, and G. H. Wright, formerly financial manager of the Liberator Building Society, were arraigned in the Police Court to-day on charges of forgery, fraud and embezzlement. Counsel stated that Hobbs & Co. owed the society \$10,000,000, obtained with Hobbs as managing director. The bills had been falsified and a number of books were missing.

ROME, December 17th.

The little storm raised by the Italian Senate's refusal to confirm the nomination of Signor Zucaro Florio has died out. Signor Giolitti is still Premier, but the debate of Monday last has somewhat shaken his prestige. Few think he will stay long in office. It is not sure that if he fell Signor Crispien would succeed. He is not anxious to take up the foreign policy mapped out by Signor Rudini. In his present mood Signor Crispien would like to draw nearer to France. His wish, however, has been rendered vain by the renewal of the six years' truce alliance. His hands are tied. Not unnaturally he feels bitter. While the existing treaties stand he has little to expect but toleration from any Italian ministry.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 17th.

The Russian Government has promulgated a law requiring that Jewish artisans shall reside only in places where official Boards of Trade exist, the presence being that Jews can thus be kept more effectively under official regulation and supervision.

Official Boards of Trade exist only in about 10 per cent. of the towns in Russia and the decree therefore means a vast addition to the misery and oppression under which the Russian Jews already labour. Many thousands of Jewish artisans will be compelled to remove from the towns to which they are located to enter the competition for existence in populous centres. The object of the new law is believed to be to start the Jews into fighting again, and drive them over the frontier, whether other countries are willing to receive them or not.

The partial embargo on emigration to America had caused a cessation of the flight of Russian Jews to the frontier, and the Russian authorities, who are anxious to get rid of the Jews without an outcry, by sending them across the border, have been much irritated by the change in affairs.

The final official statistics of the cholera epidemic in Russia show 130,417 deaths from European and 135,443 from Asiatic cholera since the outbreak in the empire.

HAMBURG, December 17th.

The two fresh cases of cholera reported here have proved fatal. Three cases are reported in the Hambroer Nachrichten.

CONSTANTINOPLE, December 17th.

Four beautiful female slaves were recently presented by the Khedive to the Sultan of Turkey and placed in the Imperial harem. They appear to have had a captivating influence on the Sultan, who paid them so much attention as to excite the jealousy of the other women. The four beautiful slaves were found murdered in their beds a few days ago, having fallen victims to poison.

The Sultan is said to have been deeply enraged when he heard of the fate of his favorites. He ordered a rigid investigation and severe punishment for the guilty. Three eunuchs who had access to the apartments of the victims were arrested on suspicion of being the persons who actually administered the poison, and at latest accounts they were being subjected to torture in order to compel them to make a full confession.

BERLIN, December 17th.

The old city of Rostock was the scene yesterday of the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the birthday of General von Blucher, the Prussian soldier of Waterloo. The city was gallantly decorated and there was a great military parade.

OPINION TWADDLE.

Residents in the East are in a position to know how the opium trade affects the Chinese in general, since nine out of ten of those they meet daily take opium more or less, just as nine out of ten Europeans take a drink occasionally, or a smoke—without dying instantly. Yet the impression in England still exists, that opium is a harmless, and even a beneficial, drug, and that it is a necessary and a reliable publication of Castelli & Co., called "Chums."

The Chinaman let us into his room at the back of the shop, it was a small room, but contained three or four chairs and a table; while across the dirty window at the back was a greasy pole, which I reluctantly did, and Yan, going to a cupboard by the fireplace, produced a small glass bottle, and a tiny metal pipe with a long stem. He asked for a piece of brown paper, like a knitted glove. Having lit the pipe, he took the needle and held it in the flame of the candle, which he then held to me. I put the thing to my mouth and drew out a stream of smoke, which I then held to me. I dropped the pipe, and struggled for breath. My face was met with a torrent of instructions by the Chinaman, instructions so valuable and so rapid that I had not been so flustered as I was. I could not have understood them. My friend came in, and explained that I was not to puff as hard as I had done, but simply to let the opium burn in the pipe, and inhale the fumes that ascended the tube. Having at length got my breath again, I made a fresh start, this time with greater success. The taste was exceedingly nasty, but it did not seem to have any particular effect for the first minute. By the time I had gently drawn a dozen times, however, I felt various sensations. My head began to tingle, my ears became affected, and I felt a warm glow pervade my body. I distinctly noticed that Yan had two heads, and that he kept twisting them round like a screw. In a moment the

clergyman was also revolting, and it appeared that my head was sinking into my body, while my legs were momentarily growing shorter. I felt that I had lost control of my pipe, which disappeared as I shot up into the air. My strongest emotion was a fear that I should bring my head against the dirty ceiling. I noticed also that I was breathing blue flames—and then I suddenly regained my senses, and was violently sick. The clergyman came to my rescue, and giving me his arm led me out into the street, where the fresh air speedily restored my addled brain. But my head ached, and my eyes were dimmed, and although I managed to walk more or less steadily, I felt ill and exhausted. Such was my experience on the occasion of my first and last visit to an opium den.

DEARNESS ABSOLUTELY CURED.—A Gentleman who cured himself of Deafness and Noise in the Head, of 14 years standing, by a new method, will be pleased to send full particulars free Address HERBERT CLIFTON, 8, Shepherd's Place, Kensington Park, London, S.W. Eng.—[Advt.]

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

19th January, 1893.—At 4 p.m.

Observation	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Force	Direction	State of Sky	Remarks
Barometer	30.00	68.0	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Thermometer	68.0	68.0	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Wind	W	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Force	1	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Direction	W	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
State of Sky	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	
Remarks							

20th January, 1893.—At 10 a.m.

Observation	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Force	Direction	State of Sky	Remarks
Barometer	30.00	68.0	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Thermometer	68.0	68.0	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Wind	W	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Force	1	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Direction	W	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
State of Sky	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	
Remarks							

Hongkong Observatory, 20th January, 1893.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Observation	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Force	Direction	State of Sky	Remarks
Barometer	30.00	68.0	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Thermometer	68.0	68.0	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Wind	W	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Force	1	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
Direction	W	1	W	1	W	Cloudy	
State of Sky	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	
Remarks							

Hongkong Observatory, 20th January, 1893.

NOTICE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE STEAMSHIP.

"MORAY".
Cousins, Commander, will be dispatched for the above Port on or about THURSDAY, the 26th inst., instead of as previously advertised.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1893. [1053]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "PERU".
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.
J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1893. [1]

DILIGENTIA LODGE.

OF INSTRUCTION.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on THURSDAY, the 26th inst., at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1893. [118]

ROTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 344.

A REGULAR MEETING of the ROTHEN MARK LODGE of MARK MASTERS MASONRY will be held in the FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on THURSDAY, the 26th inst., at 5.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1893. [119]

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ROOMS on First Floor of House No. 24, "BANK BUILDINGS" Queen's Road.
ROOMS in "BRACONFIELD ARCADE," Queen's Road.
BUNGALOW "DELMAR" Yow-ma-ai.
Apply to
BELLIOS & Co.,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1893. [120]

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. ABRAHAM EZRA in our Firm in Hongkong and China CEASED on the 31st December last.
E. D. SASSOON & Co.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1893. [121]

FOR SALE.

THE SCHOONER "MONTIARA".
AS SHE NOW LIES IN YAU-MA-TEI BAY.
Length.....75 feet.
Beam.....17 feet.
Depth of hold.....7 feet.
Registered Tonnage.....75 tons.
(Owing to recent alterations the carrying capacity of the *Montiara* has been increased to about 120 tons dead weight.)
The *Montiara* was built in Singapore, is most solidly constructed of teak throughout, with iron-wood frames, has recently been thoroughly overhauled under experienced European supervision, and is now in excellent condition. She is a very fast sailer and a most suitable vessel for the Canton crocodile trade, or would make a first-class lighter.
For Particulars as to Price, &c., apply to
R. FRASER SMITH,
6, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1892. [122]

FOR SALE.

THE ENGINES AND BOILER OF THE CHINESE GUNBOAT "CHOP-CHUENG".
AS THEY LIE AT ABERDEEN DOCK.
The Engines of the *Chop-chueng* were constructed by Messrs. LEAL & Co., of Wanchai, and are of the Compound Inverted Cylinder Direct-Acting Surface Condensing type. Its dia. is 10 ft. 6 in. by 10 ft. 6 in. long, external measurements; Furnaces, 2 ft. 6 in. dia.; Dome, 14 ft. dia. by 4 ft. high; Tubes, 14 in. number by 3 in. dia. It is in fairly good condition, having recently undergone considerable repairs, and would last in active service for over five years.
The Engines and Boiler can be inspected on application to the Superintendent at Aberdeen Dock.
For further particulars, apply to
R. FRASER SMITH,
6, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1892. [123]

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Chefoo, 21st December, 1892. [58]

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SUI KEE CHAN,
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Hongkong, 14th November, 1892. [57]

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1892. [108]

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremila"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HÔTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cuisine* being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications. The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience. A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied. HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER
Manager.
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Hongkong, 12th February, 1892.

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WHITE CAMBRIC TIES with NECK STRAPS.

WHITE KID GLOVES in all sizes.

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THE BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD, (Opposite Hongkong Hotel).

CONSULTATION FREE.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1892. [54]

Hotels.

THE SHAMBEEN HOTEL.

BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably situated within a few minutes' walk of the River Steamer Wharves, is now open to receive Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting Room, and accommodation generally will be found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.

The Table D'Hôte is supplied with every luxury in season, and the *cuisine* is in experienced hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liqueurs, etc., of the best quality only.

A WELL APPOINTED BILLIARD ROOM.

A. F. DO ROZARIO, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1892. [127]

HAUENSTEIN'S HOTEL.

A MOY.

THIS First-class FAMILY HOTEL, is situated on the beach at KULANGSOO and has First-class Accommodation for Visitors.

An EXCELLENT TABLE, in kept, and WINES, SPIRITS, and MALT LIQUORS of the very best quality.

Terms Moderate.

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1892. [91]

Hotels.

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OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well-appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,500 feet above sea-level, having been leased by the Proprietors of the "VICTORIA HOTEL," is NOW OPEN and will be run in conjunction with their HOTEL in Queen's Road, thus enabling them to offer special inducements to Visitors and Residents.

SPECIAL WINTER RATES.

The Rates for BOARD and LODGING during the Winter Months, from November 1st to March 31st, have been reduced as follows:—

One person, one month.....\$50.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per month.....\$50.00

One person per day.....2.50

Married couple per day.....3.50

For full particulars apply to

VICTORIA HOTEL.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1892. [814]

WINDSOR HOTEL,

(In Connaught Building), QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

THE Private Hotel heretofore carried on in WINDSOR HOUSE has now been removed to CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

Cuisine under European management. Each Bed-room has its own Bath-room, Hot and Cold water. Passenger Elevator to all Floors.

Charges from \$2 per day upwards.

Special Rates for Families, or Permanent Residents. Offices and Rooms to let Unfurnished, and Rooms with or without Board, by day or month. (Apply at the Office, No. 37, 3rd Floor.

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1892. [25]

BAY VIEW HOTEL.

MR. OSBORNE begs to remind the Public that every possible arrangement has been made for the comfort and convenience of Visitors to this popular Summer Resort. "BAY VIEW" occupies the best situation on the Shaikwan Road, commands an excellent view of the Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes from the Southward. Steam-launches can at any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the spacious lawn.

The *Cuisine* is unrivalled in Hongkong, and only the best Brands of Wines, Spirits, Cigars, etc., are kept in stock. Private Dinners or "Fêtes" prepared in First-class style on the shortest notice, and Meals can be served at all hours.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1892. [180]

THE BOA VISTA HOTEL.

BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS HOTEL is situated on the sea shore in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao, and commands an admirable view (facing the South). Its accommodation is unsurpassed in the Far East.

Every comfort is provided for Visitors with an excellent *Cuisine*, and Wines, Spirits, and Malt Liqueurs of the best brands.

Hot, Cold, Shower, and Sea-Water Baths; large and well ventilated Dining Billiard and Reading Rooms; and a well supplied Bar.

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Kind MARIA B. DE REMEDIOS, Proprietress.

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Peru.....Saturday, 28th Jan.

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Detroit, Mich. 304.25

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1893. [1]

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TO LET.

OFFICE on the Praya, GROUND FLOOR, facing the Harbour. Immediate Possession. Moderate Rental.

Apply to

17, PRAYA CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1893. [102]

TO LET.

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LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1893. [71]

TO LET.

HOUSES in KNIGHTSFOOT TERRACE, Kowloon.

Apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [35]

TO LET.

NEW HOUSES in RIFON TERRACE—Bongham Road, near Breezy Point.

No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS.

FLOORS in Blue Buildings.

OFFICES—Second Floor, Praya Central (late occupied by Messrs. Dunn, Melby & Co.)

GODOWN, No. 1A, Blue Buildings.

SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES at Magazine Gap. Very cheap Rental.

No. 4, 5 & 6, VICTORIA VIEW, Kowloon.

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Apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [34]

TO LET.

NO. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD (late occupied by Attack).

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